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Washington, D. C., Jan. 9, 1909.
EDITOR STAR:—I have again called at the Postoffice Department and conferred with Postmaster General Meyer to secure if possible by further negotiations the privilege of two cent postage under the new mail treaty.

In the first place it should be clearly understood that Hawaii was not excluded from the treaty under the apprehension that she was not a territory. The simple proposition was that England would not extend the privileges of the treaty outside of Continental North America because the United States would not concede the privilege to any of the detached portions of the British Empire.

It was of course that basis of limitation which gave the reduced rate to Alaska while excluding Hawaii, and not any misapprehension as to our territorial status.

England especially urged the privilege for Bermuda, because of its comparative nearness to our shores; but as our government would not assent to that, England insisted upon the limitation to the North American mainland.

The Postmaster General said that the treaty was concluded in order to get the plan started; that he recognized the injustice to Hawaii, and he promised that he would at once set on foot special negotiations to have the Territory of Hawaii added to the original limits, if it can possibly be brought about.

I also called at the Treasury Department in an endeavor to have action taken in regard to plans for the Honolulu Federal Building.

Assistant Secretary Winthrop was evidently piqued at the blocking of the site exchange which he had favored, and he said no decision had been reached as to whether or not the department would call for competitive plans, and no immediate action was contemplated.

I shall take this matter up direct with Secretaries Cortelyou and Garfield, and endeavor to secure action without regard to Mr. Winthrop.
Very truly,
J. KALANIANAOLE,
Delegate to Congress.

BIG NEW MILL FOR HILO CO.

The Honolulu Iron Works has received a contract to build a new nine-roller mill for the Hilo Sugar Company, and the preliminary work upon it has already begun. The big contract will keep things humming at the foundry for several months, and will give all the available mechanics their hands full for the best part of the year.

The new mill will be of the very latest pattern. Heretofore the Hilo Sugar Company has used a six-roller outfit, of an old design, and the machinery now contracted for will at once place that mill in the list with the most up-to-date sugar manufacturing mills in the world.

The mills erected by the Honolulu Iron Works in Formosa have proved so far ahead of the old-style German mills in use there that the local people feel sanguine of the better half of future business in that part of the world.

GOES BACK TO SOLDIERING

Sylvester, one-time Champion bicycle racer of Hawaii, will this week join the Fifth Cavalry at Leilehua. This young man was employed in the post office for years, and made his bicycle record in the days of Cyclomere park, when the sport amounted to something. He took the war fever at the time of the Spanish affair, and put in six years in the Philippines and in mainland barracks. About fifteen years more in the Philippines will qualify him for retirement upon a pretty comfortable pension. It is his intention to try to make it.

Of late years Sylvester has been working for the Oahu railways. He has given up bicycle riding and taken to the motorcycle, owning and being a speeder of one.

BAND CONCERT

At the public concert to be given this evening in Emma Square by the Hawaiian band, the program will be:

PART I.

March—True BlueTeike
Valse—Callit of Bagdad.....Boledieu
Chorus—Tannhauser Wagner
Selection—Robin HoodDekoven

PART II.

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